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## \$2.2 BILLION IN NEW FUNDING ALLOCATED TO TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS TO HELP DRIVE STATE'S ECONOMIC GROWTH

**San Bernardino** – Continuing the push to rebuild California's infrastructure and spur job growth, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) has allocated \$2.2 billion in new funding to 146 highway, transit, and rail projects statewide.

The funding included \$863 million from Proposition 1B, a 2006 voter-approved transportation bond. To date, the state has allocated more than \$9 billion in Proposition 1B funds.

"We are putting transportation dollars to work creating jobs and making transportation improvements that will benefit Californians now and for decades to come," said Acting Caltrans Director Malcolm Dougherty.

Highlights of the funding allocations include:

**San Bernardino County -** \$21.3 million on interstate 15 in the City of Victorville between Bear Valley Road and Palmdale Road (SR 18) to construct an interchange at La Mesa/Nisquali Road and realign the frontage roads. The project will relieve congestion on the frontage road and shorten motorist's drive times.

**San Bernardino County -** \$91.3 million in the City of Colton to construct a railroad grade separation of a Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) and Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad (BNSF) railroad tracks. The project will minimize delays at the crossing.

**Riverside County -** \$157 million on State Route 91 in the City of Riverside from Adams Street to the 60/91/215 interchange. The project will construct one HOV lane in each direction. The project will relieve congestion and shorten motorist's drive times.



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For information about all projects that received allocations please see: <a href="http://www.dot.ca.gov/docs/ctcprojectallocationsaugust2011.pdf">http://www.dot.ca.gov/docs/ctcprojectallocationsaugust2011.pdf</a>

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